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Docket No. 45825-01012

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Application No.: 09/196,524 ) Art Unit  
Filing Date: November 20, 1998 ) 1743  
For: PIPETTE TIP PACKAGING AND )  
TRANSFER SYSTEM )  
Examiner: Handy, D. )

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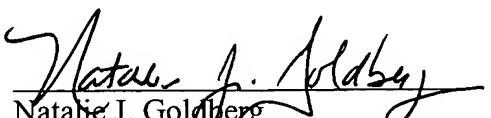
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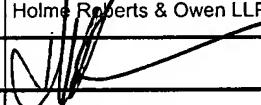
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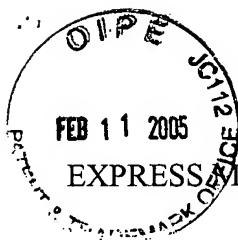
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

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Dear Madam/Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 11, 2004, Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal dated February 7, 2005. However, a telephone interview discussed in more detail hereinafter suggested that further amendments as set forth herein may be sufficient to render the application allowable. Thus applicants submit the amendments herein to place this case in condition for immediate allowance.

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2005

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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## Complete if Known

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### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

#### Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	
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### 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

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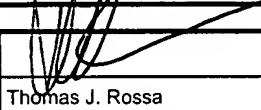
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